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Police seeks public's help identifying Carjacking suspect

CARLSBAD, Calif., - The City of Carlsbad Police Department, in conjunction with San Diego County Crime Stoppers, is seeking the public's help in identifying the suspect in a carjacking case.

The suspect is described as a white male adult, 30's, unknown height, 180-190 lbs., slim with reddish hair and an unshaven face. Please see the attached sketch, still photo, and video clips.

The carjacking occurred on Monday July 2, 2012, at the Westfield Plaza Camino Real Mall located in the 2500 block of El Camino Real, Carlsbad. At 7:46 p.m., the police department received a call from the victim who stated he walked up to his car and found someone trying to steal it.

After being confronted by the victim, the suspect started the victim's car to escape. While backing the stolen car the suspect hit the victim and the victim's wife. The suspect also hit a parked car. Carlsbad Police recovered the car a short time later in the 1800 block of Marron and the suspect was last seen on foot in the area of Jefferson Street and Highway 78 on the Oceanside/Carlsbad city border.

An extensive search by Carlsbad Police Department, Oceanside Police Department's K-9 Unit, and the Sheriff Department helicopter (ASTREA) did not find the suspect.

The victims suffered minor injuries but were not medically transported.

The stolen vehicle was a 2002 white Honda Accord.

Anyone with information on the identity and/or location of the suspect should call Carlsbad Police Detective James Willis at 760-931-2161 or the Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a \$1,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to an arrest in this case. Anonymous email and text messages can be sent in via www.sdcrimestoppers.com.

For more information

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